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ABSTRACT

This annotated bibliography contains 99 entries, listed alphabetically by author, that are concerned with religion and family life education. Articles listed discuss sexuality and family life education from Jewish and Christian perspectives. Many of the entries deal with adolescent sexuality and offer resources for children, adolescents, parents, educators, and the clergy. Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish views on sexuality and religion are presented in several entries, while the roles of the church, the school, and the parents in sexuality and family life education are discussed in others. Some articles present sex education programs being conducted in churches. Other entries deal with studies of sexuality and religion in adolescents and with moral values, religious beliefs, and sexuality. While many articles deal in general with sexuality and religion, others focus on narrower topics, such as sex roles and teenage pregnancy. (NB)

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Altman, S. Morton et al. A Study of Adolescent Sexuality. New York: Florence G. Heller -- Jewish Welfare Board Research Center. 1981.

Conducted through the Jewish Community Centers of Chicago, this booklet presents results of a survey which, in part, studied adolescent sexual identity. Written questionnaires were used to study demographics, information about adolescents' sexual knowledge and knowledge about reproduction, and the relationship of beliefs and values to the social mores at large. The information gathered has direct implications for program planning.

American Catholic Family. Washington, DC: American Catholic Family (National Center for Family Studies, Catholic University of America, Washington, DC 20064).

This is a newsletter on national, diocesan and parish family ministries. Each issue has articles related to the broader concerns of its readership, frequently including some news items which may be of interest to those in the field of family life education. Such pieces have included: notices of meetings (e.g. the National Association of Catholic Diocesan Family Life Ministries annual meeting, covering parenting, sexuality, etc.), research results, publications of note, etc.

Blanchard, Anne C. Sexually Speaking -- Who Am I? Nashville, TN: United Methodist Publishing House, 1973.

A book for young people in their early teens (and up) which is meant to help them define themselves -- sexually. It is for use in group study. (See also: Patterson, William G. Sexually Speaking -- Who Am I? Course Design Guide.)

Borowitz Eugene B. Choosing a Sex Ethic: A Jewish Inquiry. New York: Schocken Books, 1969.

This volume addresses the need for establishing a personal set of behaviors and values regarding sexuality. The author considers the question of what a "sex ethic" signifies. Options for individuals are proposed and values regarding certain areas are explored -- orgasm, mutual consent, love, and marriage. This is intended for students, educators, and parents.

Brashear, Diane B. Meeting the opposition: sex education and community support. Family Coordinator, 1971, 20(1), 44-48.

Responding to opposition to sexuality education.

Brennan, Joseph T. Teaching sexuality: a model for parental involvement. Momentum, 1981, 12(3), 28-30.

Through a sexuality education project in a Catholic school, efforts were made to involve parents and other adults in the planning and programming process. Interviews were conducted by students to ascertain adult attitudes about sexuality.

Calderwood, Deryck. About Your Sexuality. Revised edition. Boston: Unitarian-Universalist Association, 1983.

A multi-media program for students in junior high and up on human sexuality.

Campbell, Patricia J. Sex Education Books for Young Adults, 1892-1979. New York: R.R. Bowker, 1979.

A descriptive bibliography of materials on sexuality education which contains a listing of religious sexuality education books.

Center for Early Adolescence. Early Adolescence and Religion: A Status Study. Carrboro NC. The Author, 1982.

Resources which are meant to help individuals within the religious community in their dealings with young adolescents. Following a section on research and writing on religion and the young adolescent (adolescent development, religious attitudes of young adolescents, religious institutions vis a vis young adolescents), there is an overview of religious youth programs which have been successful in responding to the needs of their young adolescent members.

Clapp, Steve. Teenage Sexuality: A Crisis and Opportunity for the Church. Sidell, IL: C-4 Resources, 1979.

Based on a survey of church-active youth in the Midwest, this study and commentary focus on teenage sexuality and what churches are (and are not) doing to help young people. Acknowledging that both young people and adults need access to more information which tells about sexual behavior and sexuality in general, this need is placed within a framework for those who embrace the Christian faith and wish to make responsible decisions within this context. Where teens learn about sex, their views on dating and marriage, sexual behavior, etc. are revealed through survey results and personal comments. Opportunities for intervention on the part of the church are discussed.

Clapp, Steve, Brownfield, Sue and Siebert, Julie. A Christian View of Youth and Sexuality. Second edition. Sidell, IL: C-4 Resources, 1982.

Results from a survey of 511 teens regarding their sexual values and behavior have been integrated into this guide for teens which shows what young people are doing and thinking. It includes pertinent information on birth control, venereal diseases and sexual response -- topics often ignored in school, church or at home. It is hoped that teens will read this volume and develop skills to help them make decisions regarding dating and sexual behavior -- within a Christian framework. This, according to the authors, means helping young people "discover, develop, and enjoy their own sexuality in a responsible and caring way."

Clapp, Steve, Brownfield, Sue and Seibert, Julie. A Christian View of Youth and Sexuality: Adult Guide. Sidell, IL: C-4 Resources, 1980.

A companion volume to that written for young people, A Christian View of Youth and Sexuality, this is designed to provide adults with guidance as they work to help teens develop sexual values in a Christian context. It should be read and used in conjunction with the book for youth as the two volumes present a cohesive program. The guide discusses the philosophy behind the book for youth, which provides frank and accurate information about sexuality. In addition to material on helping youth to understand sexuality and to develop responsible sexual behavior, there are some program ideas for use in church groups.

Conn, Robert. Journeys: A Christian Approach to Sexuality. Nashville, TN: Graded Press (United Methodist Publishing House), 1979.

A program for senior high students on human sexuality. The Student's Book is a workbook; the instructions and additional readings for most projects are in the Leader's Guide. The course is divided into 8 sessions, but alterations can be made to suit a particular group's needs. Parents' permission is a necessary part of the program, and their involvement in the plenary stages should be sought. The sessions include: "Life Maps: Where is Sexuality?", "Your Body's Journey" -- designed to provide useful information about the human body and correct vocabulary; "Exploring the Terrain: Worries and Wonders" -- sexual changes; "Traveling Together. Getting the Message" -- sorting out messages related to sexual behavior; "Who Decides Your Journey"; "Marriage".

Cooney, Nancy Hennessy with Bingham, Anne. Sex, Sexuality and You: A Handbook for Growing Christians. Dubuque, IA: William C. Brown, Co., 1980.

A reading resource for teens, this volume explains physical changes occurring during adolescence. Sex roles, sexual expression, abortion, STDs, pornography, and rape are all discussed. This informational guide for young people was developed by a member of the U.S. Catholic Conference Committee on Family and Human Sexuality, and it can serve, as well, as a reference for counselors, parents and teachers. If used as a text, there is a companion volume, A Guide to Using Sex, Sexuality and You. This is a useful tool for professionals and parents interested in helping teens get the most out of this resource material.

Daum, Annette and Strongin, Barbara. Course on Human Sexuality for Adolescents in Religious Schools, Youth Groups and Camps. Experimental edition, revised. New York. Religious Action Department, New York Federation of Reform Synagogues, 1981.

This is a curriculum on human sexuality designed to help teens cope with changing sexual mores. An understanding of Jewish views on human sexuality and family life is a fundamental premise of the program which hopes to prepare teens to make responsible decisions. Already in use at several locations, this 16-hour program addresses the relevant topics surrounding human sexuality within a Jewish framework.

Davis, Steven and Hardy, Jane. Church-sponsored human sexuality programs. SIECUS Report, 1980, 8(5/6), 4-5.

An overview of church-sponsored programs on human sexuality, particularly emphasizing the program begun in 1969 by the Congregational Church in South Glastonbury, Connecticut.

Dickman, Irving R. Winning the Battle for Sex Education. New York: SIECUS, 1982.

Details for gathering support for sexuality education programs are provided in this publication, which also describes how to effectively respond to individuals opposed to such programs. The role of the clergy and religious groups in sexuality education programs is noted.

Dinkmeyer, Don and McKay, Gary. The Parents Handbook. STEP (Systematic Training in Effective Parenting). Circle Pines, MN: American Guidance Service, 1982.

An eight-week parenting course is outlined in this volume, to help parents in dealing with family situations and problems associated with childrearing. Developed for Christian parents.

Diocese of Rochester. Committee on Sex Education. Education in Love: A Program in Family Life and Christian Sexuality; Handbook for Parents. New York: Paulist Press, 1971.

For parents of children participating in sexuality education courses in Catholic schools, this contains the contents of the diocesan course and a bibliography.

Diocese of Rochester. Committee on Sex Education. Education in Love: A Program in Family Life and Christian Sexuality to be Presented in the School Within Existing Subject Areas; Teacher's Guide -- Grades 1-8. New York: Paulist Press, 1971.

A program designed to provide schools with the direction needed to assume its role in responding to Vatican II's mandate and to meet the recommendations of Catholic bishops in the U.S.

Edens, David. The Changing Me. Nashville, TN: Broadman Press, 1973.

For children, ages 9-11, this is a book about human development. It deals with aspects of reproduction and human growth that are relative to the information needs of this age group. Part of the "Sexuality in Christian Living Series." (See also: Simmons, Paul D. and Crawford, Kenneth, Growing Up With Sex, Harty, Robert and Annelle, Made to Grow; and Lester, Andrew D., Sex is More than a Word.)

Episcopal Diocese of California. Human Sexuality Study Guide Series Overview. Revised edition. San Francisco: Episcopal Diocese of California, Department of Education, Division on Human Relationships, 1982.

A series on human sexuality designed to enhance understanding of its nature, diverse expressions, and implications for Christians. The course is designed for groups of 12-20 people, and topics are proposed for group

discussion. It is hoped that individuals will actively participate. The program is meant to be conducted under a congregation's auspices and congregants should be included in its planning. The range of topics includes anatomy and physiology, the church and moral values, the family, homosexuality, etc. Units can and should be altered to suit a particular group's needs. A bibliography is included.

Family Fare. Grand Rapids, MI: Family Life Education, Bethany Christian Services (periodical).

Family Fare is a resource designed for those working with families in their congregations. It is published bi-monthly and provides resources, aids, and ideas for use in family ministry.

Feldman, David M. Marital Relations, Birth Control and Abortion in Jewish Law. New York. Schocken Books, 1968.

A discussion of Jewish values and the rabbinic legal tradition as regards the many aspects of human sexuality. Comparison to Christian traditions and beliefs is made.

Fisher, C. Daniel. Community based family life education: The Family Life Council of Greater Greensboro, Inc. Family Relations, 1982, 31(2), 179-183.

Description of a family life education program based at the community level which provides a diverse program of family life education services and resources. Of the program committees, one is devoted to "religious life" -- working to assist clergy and churches in promoting quality family life.

Forliti, John E. Reverence for Life and Family: Parent/Teacher Background Resource (Catechesis in Sexuality). Dubuque, IA: William C. Brown Co., 1981.

A guidebook which can be used in conjunction with a multimedia program for adolescents about sexuality. Designed to meet criteria and guidelines for sexuality education as established by the U.S. Catholic Conference and the National Catechetical Directory, it deals with biological aspects of adolescence as well as with the psychosocial aspects of sex roles. This resource book for parents and other adults involved in the program includes background readings related to the student lessons, a glossary of terms, an overview of the program's contents, and a description of the attitude, skill, and knowledge objectives of each student lesson. As part of the program, there are several parent/adult sessions and the information herein will be particularly useful in preparing for those.

Forliti, John E. and Modde, Mary Beth. Reverence for Life and Family: Program Manual (Catechesis in Sexuality). Dubuque, IA: William C. Brown Co., 1981.

As part of a multimedia program on sexuality for teens, this program manual contains all the information and instructions needed for facilitating the program. Although designed for teachers with basic qualifications or preparation for teaching about sexuality, the material is clearly delineated for those with less background in this field. Each session outline begins with a checklist for the teacher, provides step-by-step procedures and

suggested time allotments, in-class activities, etc. Also included are script guides and background material on methods, communication, the catechetical approach, etc. (For additional information see the preceding annotation.)

Genne, William H. Sex education in religious settings. In Brown, Lorna, ed. Sex Education in the Eighties. New York: Plenum Press, 1981.

Written by the Director Emeritus, Commission on Sexuality and Family Ministries, National Council of Churches, this chapter is based on the premise that "a religious community is involved in sex education whether it wants to be or not." The author addresses the need for a religious understanding of sex, the advantages of religious settings for sexuality education and problems that might arise, and current trends and issues in this area.

Gill, John N., Harding, Rona and Idinopulos, Chessie. Sharing the Mystery. Cincinnati: Forward Movement Publications, 1980. (Pamphlet)

Written originally for members of the Episcopal Church, this pamphlet discusses what and how to teach children about sexuality. Christian parents must affirm sexuality in all its dimensions -- physical, emotional, psychological, ethical, and spiritual. The pamphlet defines sexuality and goes on to provide a brief framework within this religious perspective for parents who must first identify their own feelings. It stresses respecting a child's curiosity, teaching values along with facts, and teaching the same things to both boys and girls. The ability to make good choices must be imparted when communicating with children. The role of the parents in communicating about sexuality is emphasized.

Glass, Dorlis and Carpenter, Marilyn. God Made Us: About Sex and Growing Up; Leader's Guide. Nashville, TN: Graded Press (United Methodist Publishing House), 1980.

This curriculum guide is designed for use by parents with their older elementary school children (grades 5-6) at home, church-organized study groups, and for discussions between leaders and parents on the effectiveness of communicating with their children, especially about the topic of human sexuality. The needs of children and the responses of adults to these needs are dealt with in an overview at the beginning of the guide. Next are outlined 7 sessions for children, followed by 6 adult-oriented sessions on relevant areas of concern to Christian parents. The accompanying children's booklet is in 7 chapters which cover growth and development, and human sexuality. A bibliography, which includes many secular resources, and a glossary are also appended.

God and Human Sexuality: A Study Book. Nashville, TN: United Methodist Publishing House, 1971.

This is one volume in a series which addresses what are considered "crisis experiences" as part of a program of curriculum materials for adults. This particular portion of the program addresses the question of human sexuality, and a supplement and resource packet for leaders are available to supplement the study book. Each chapter is followed by teaching-learning suggestions for group use. Reading material is assigned for participants prior to each session. The relationship of sexuality to a Christian lifestyle is stressed.

Gordis, Robert. Love and Sex: A Modern Jewish Perspective. New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1978.

The "new morality" is approached from the perspective of Jewish tradition. Attention is given to marriage and divorce, birth control, homosexuality, heterosexual marriage, and premarital and extramarital relations. Concerns specific to Jewish life are discussed, such as the role of women and inter-marriage.

Gordon, Sol. The case for a moral sex education in the schools. Journal of School Health, 1981, 51(4), 214-218.

A discussion of sexuality education in the schools, including statements supporting such programs by religious groups.

Gordon, Sol. Let's Make Sex a Household Word. New York: John Day Co., 1975.

Geared towards the needs of parents as the primary sexuality educators of their children, the author considers the role of the schools and organized religion in the provision of sexuality education to children.

Gordon, Sol and Libby, Roger W. Sexuality Today -- and Tomorrow. North Scituate, MA: Duxbury Press, 1976.

Chapter 13 in this volume on human sexuality is devoted to the topic of religion. Included are: the Interfaith Statement on Sex Education; Leon Smith's "Religion's response to the new sexuality"; Andrew Greeley's "Is Catholic sexual teaching coming apart?"; and, Lawrence C. Kushner's "Sex and Judaism."

Gordon, Sol, Scales, Peter and Everly, Kathleen. The Sexual Adolescent: Communicating with Teenagers about Sex. Second edition. Belmont, CA: Duxbury Press, 1979.

A brief section on the religious perspective on sexuality education is contained in this volume which deals with sexuality and the adolescent.

Growing with Television. Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 1980.

This program packet, developed with the aid of a grant from Trinity Parish (Episcopal), New York City, examines biblical values and the television experience. There is, within this overall program, a unit on sex and sexuality. It is designed to help teenagers think about sex and to develop responsible attitudes about sexuality within a religious context by examining sex and sexual attitudes conveyed on t.v. The packet includes a leader's guide and a senior high school study series (commentary/activity sheets for each unit in the program).

Harty, Robert and Annette. Made to Grow. Nashville, TN: Broadman Press, 1973.

This is the first volume in the series, "Sexuality in Christian Living," and is written for children ages 6-8. It describes human reproduction in language accessible to this age group. It also talks about human development, family, and sex roles. Illustrations tend to show traditional role models, although options in careers for men and women are mentioned. (See

also: Edens, David, The Changing Me; Simmons, Paul D. and Crawford, Kenneth, Growing Up With Sex; Lester, Andrew D. Sex is More than a Word.)

Hoge, Dean R., Petrillo, Gregory H. and Smith, Ella I. Transmission of religious and social values from parents to teenage children. Journal of Marriage and the Family, 1982, 44(3), 569-580.

A study of parent-child relationships -- among Catholic, Baptist and Methodist families -- was conducted to ascertain patterns of values transmission. Factors which enhanced religious value transmission included: younger age of parents, parental agreement about religion, and good parent-child relationships. More important as a factor in predicting children's values was membership in a particular denomination.

Holderness, Ginny Ward. The Exuberant Years: A Guide for Jr. High Leaders. Atlanta: John Knox Press, 1976.

A handbook for youth leaders which provides ideas on working in group situations. It describes a step-by-step process in preparing for, planning, and developing a complete youth program. A description of some mini-course topics is provided. It focuses directly on the needs of students in junior high school, a group that is often neglected by churches. It is a basic guide for those without much experience working with younger teens.

Holderness, Ginny Ward. Youth Ministry: The New Team Approach. Atlanta: John Knox Press, 1973.

A youth ministry handbook, workbook, resource guide, and how-to manual by a Christian educator, designed to bring about changes in the way the church responds to the needs of youth. It stresses a team approach to youth ministry which may be useful for workers in different denominations. Ideas for a variety of programs and activities to involve youth are described.

Holland, John M., editor. Religion and Sexuality: Judaic-Christian Viewpoints in the U.S.A. San Francisco. Association of Sexologists, 1981.

Representatives of three religious traditions -- Jewish, Catholic and Protestant -- present their respective theological views on sexuality. The sections try to be as all-encompassing as possible, allowing for variations within the overall religious theology (e.g., comparing Reform and Orthodox beliefs).

Howard, Tara. Leader's Manual for The Talk. San Diego: Planned Parenthood of San Diego and The California State Department of Health, 1982.

Part of the Community Outreach and Professional Education (COPE) Project of PP of San Diego, this is a complete planning and program guide, containing step-by-step instructions and a curriculum. This guidebook was written with the needs of clergy, religious educators, and lay professionals in mind, especially for those who are developing a sexuality communication program in their church. It is a program on communication about sexuality designed to help parents and teens share their feelings, values, and ideas about this topic. The workshops, when conducted, take 8-12 hours and require about 3 months to plan.

Howell, John C. Teaching Your Children About Sex. Nashville: Broadman Press, 1973.

A volume in the series, "Sexuality in Christian Living," This is a guide for parents to communicating values and behaviors in human sexuality to their children. (See: Harty, Robert and Annelle, Made to Grow; Edens, David, The Changing Me; Crawford, Kenneth and Simmons, Paul D., Growing Up With Sex; and, Lester, Andrew D., Sex is More than a Word.)

Human Sexuality: New Directions in American Catholic Thought; A Study Commissioned by The Catholic Theological Society of America. Anthony Kosnik, Chairperson. New York: Paulist Press, 1977.

A volume based on the results of a study conducted to ascertain the place of sexuality in Catholic theology and practice. Pertinent material from the Bible is cited and the topic is considered within an historical perspective. Included, too, are empirical data from the social and behavioral sciences. The committee then sought to integrate biblical, historical and anthropological data. Finally, the study addresses particular situations or questions in the area of sexual morality. The overall purpose of the volume is to bring theology to bear on the phenomenon of human sexuality and to identify the constants and the variables in religious teachings.

Hummel, Ruth. Wonderfully Made. St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 1967.

A sexuality education book for children in grades 4 through 6. It imparts information about the biological aspects of sex, attitudes toward this knowledge, and attempts to help children put this knowledge to work within a Christian context. It is also meant to be a conversation starter for parents.

Hunt, Joan and Richard. Affirming Sexuality in Christian Adulthood. Nashville, TN: Graded Press (United Methodist Publishing House), 1982.

This book and accompanying leader's guide are part of a program designed to help adults understand, appreciate, affirm and live out their sexuality within a Christian lifestyle. It will help adults to re-examine their beliefs and feelings about sexuality -- attitudes, self-esteem, marriage, parenthood, developmental aspects, etc. The leader's manual includes ways to encourage discussion and how to conduct a meaningful exchange of ideas.

Johnson, Rex. At Home With Sex. Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1979.

The author stresses the role of the parents as the sexuality educators of their children and that schools cannot be the sole source of sexuality education as teachers do not have the parents' moral values. But schools can be used as a resource. Churches are also deemed inadequate as sole providers of such education, but can serve in a supplemental capacity. Within the family, sex can be discussed in a Christian context (e.g., intercourse within marriage, sex as a way of honoring Jesus Christ, against sex within or outside of marriage which might lead to the breakdown of the family).

Keane, Philip S. Sexual Morality: A Catholic Perspective. New York: Paulist Press, 1977.

This volume is written specifically from a Roman Catholic viewpoint and expresses the philosophy that the Catholic tradition on sexuality is a living tradition. An overview is provided from a theological-anthropological perspective. The role of women is addressed, as are the topics of "autosexual activities and morality," homosexuality, heterosexuality (marriage, premarital and extramarital sexual activities, birth control, divorce), celibacy, etc.

Kennedy, Eugene. What a Modern Catholic Believes About Sex. Chicago: Thomas More Press, 1971.

Catholic philosophy regarding human sexuality is related in this volume. It discusses sexuality at various stages of psychosocial development -- from childhood through adulthood. Special consideration is given to topics which may pose particular difficulty for individuals: birth control, abortion, divorce, and homosexuality.

Leonard, Joe H., Jr., editor. Church Family Gatherings: Programs and Plans. Valley Forge, PA: Judson Press, 1978

A guide for fostering family relationships and communications through church-centered activities. Thirty program activities are suggested with five special study emphases. Explored are Bible Studies; communication; celebrations; using television, films, and drama; mission; and living in families.

Leonard, Joe H., Jr. Family life education; the importance of church and synagogues. Family Life Educator, 1982, 1(1), 17.

This cites ways in which churches and synagogues, concerned about each member's development of faith, can respond to the needs of individuals regarding family life education. It is stated that these religious institutions can: provide information on child and middle adult development; respond to sexual concerns; and, help families renegotiate the way they make decisions, enforce rules, and exercise authority.

Leonard, Joe, H., Jr. Planning Family Ministry: A Guide For a Teaching Church. Valley Forge, PA: Judson Press, 1982.

This is an overview of family life education within the context of the church. It discusses how the church can help parents and children incorporate religious teachings into human relationships and everyday life. Steps in planning such a program are laid out for individuals interested in initiating family life education within their religious group. Specific aids for identifying needs, setting objectives, finding resources, planning programs, and evaluating results are provided. A resource list is appended.

Lester, Andrew D. Sex is More than a Word. Nashville, TN: Broadman Press, 1973.

One volume in the series, "Sexuality in Christian Living," this addresses the information needs of senior high school students. It covers the topics of faith and sexuality, theology of sexuality, sexual development and sexual expression, values and sexual expression, premarital intercourse, unwanted pregnancy, birth control, venereal disease, pornography, and homosexuality. As in other volumes in this series, the information presented is clear and points out the options available to individuals in the various aspects of sexual expression. It suggests that decisions be made clearly and based on accurate information. Young people who read this volume will find guidance for their own personal conduct which is based on their developing a system of personal beliefs. (See also: Simmons, Paul D. and Crawford, Kenneth, Growing Up With Sex; Edens, David, The Changing Me; Harty, Robert and Annette, Made to Grow.)

Levine, Shlomo D. The Singular Problems of the Single Jewish Parent. New York: United Synagogue Commission on Jewish Education, 1981.

A booklet for single Jewish parents which addresses their specific needs regarding parenting within a Jewish lifestyle. The guidelines provided are based in a traditional framework.

Mace, David R. The Christian Response to the Sexual Revolution. Nashville: Abingdon Press: 1970.

This is an appraisal of what Christians, in general, can and should do in order to effectively address the issue of sexuality within their religious framework. It examines how some basic misconceptions about sex have become accepted as Christian principles, considers the "sexual revolution," and encourages Christians to think about sexual attitudes. It also urges the Church to re-evaluate its teachings. In order to respond to the changing needs of the individual and society as a whole, the author states that Christians should admit to themselves and their young people that they are confused about standards of sexual behavior; they should assume a positive attitude toward sex, not a negative nor punitive one; and, an on-going dialogue about sex must be initiated in order to re-define sexuality in a Christian context.

Matthews, Robert J.L. The Human Adventure. Lima, OH: C.S.S. Publishing Co., Inc., 1980.

Sub-titled "A study course for Christians on sexuality," this volume attempts to bring together thoughts on sexuality from both a psychological and theological perspective. By an Episcopal minister, this course is intended for use in small, informal discussion groups of adults within a parish. It is divided into 7 sessions which last between one and two hours each, and which necessitate that each participant read some preparatory material prior to each session. It covers historical background, biblical background, contemporary theories of sexuality (pleasure, religion, idealism, etc.), male-female differences, premarital sex, homosexuality and marriage. It presents various points of view on each topic, providing room for discussion and individual thought on each.

Miles, Joan. Sex and Sexuality: A Christian Understanding. Nashville, TN: Graded Press (United Methodist Publishing House), 1982.

As part of a commitment to sexuality education in the church -- to help youth understand their sexuality so they can make responsible decisions in the face of sexual awareness -- the United Methodist Church has assembled a program (student guide and leader's manual) to provide sound information from a Christian perspective. This particular program is designed for junior high school students and explores many issues of concern: puberty, menstruation, nocturnal emissions, masturbation, necking and showing affection; problems -- petting, promiscuity, sexual intercourse, adolescent pregnancy, abortion, homosexuality, STDs, and more. The leader's manual follows the student material, providing guidance for instruction and implementation of activities. A detailed glossary is found in the beginning of the student's booklet.

Minor, Harold W., Myskens, Joseph B. and Alexander, Margaret Newell. Sex Education: The Schools and the Churches. Richmond, VA: John Knox Press, 1971.

Published for churches participating in Joint Educational Development and for the Covenant Life Curriculum family of churches, this is a study/action guide concerned with the issue of sexuality education and the attacks centered against these programs in the public schools. It is designed to provide data to help correct misconceptions about sexuality sex education and to publicize statements from various religious organizations regarding sexuality education. It is also meant to help acquaint church people with accepted objectives, guidelines and criteria for sexuality education in public schools. Suggested are ways responsible individuals can work together in their communities to determine the quality of sexuality education in their community, support those programs which are meeting the needs of the community, give positive support to efforts to upgrade those programs that are inadequate, encourage the development of adequate programs in areas where no planned programs of family life and sexuality education exist, and to recognize extremist tactics and counteract them.

Morrison, Eleanor and Price, Vera. Values in Sexuality. New York: A & W Visual Library, 1974.

The premise of this book is that a course in sexuality education should enable students to make choices regarding values which they will adopt on their own, by providing a structure which allows for exploration of and discussion of feelings about sex. Exercises are included for use in instructional situations. Each activity specifically states its objectives and rationale, in addition to procedure, materials, etc. This will enable leaders to more fully comprehend the implications of such activities. This approach has been used in many settings, including in-service training for members of the clergy and in church groups.

Murphy, Charles and Day, Linda. Sex; Teaching Units for the Religious Education of Adolescents. New York: Herder and Herder, 1970.

A discussion-oriented religious text on sex for teenagers.

National Council of Churches, Synagogue Council of America and United States Catholic Conference. Interfaith Statement on Sex Education. New York: The Author, 1968.

A statement in support of sexuality education jointly supported by religious leaders.

Nelson, James B. Embodiment: An Approach to Sexuality and Christian Theology. New York: Pilgrim Press, 1978.

Questioning what the Christian faith says about sexuality, the author -- a professor at United Theological Seminary -- also questions how our experience as sexual human beings affects the way we live as Christians. Stressing that sexual theology is an important approach to the church's theological task, Nelson covers a variety of issues, including information from psychology and sociology as well as from the theological disciplines. Both scholarly and readable, this work makes a valuable contribution to the fields of sexual and Christian ethics.

Parents Talk Love. Spencerport, NY: Paulist Press (in press).

To be published in 1984 by the Paulist Press, this volume will outline the program initiated by this group to help parents communicate with their children on sexual issues. This project was sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control, as part of a national survey of parent sexuality education programs. It concentrates on facilitating communication and understanding in sexuality issues. Program information is currently available from the sponsors (PO Box 32, Spencerport, NY 14559).

Patterson, William G. Sexually Speaking -- Who Am I? Course Design Guide. Nashville, TN: United Methodist Publishing House, 1973.

The role of the church in affirming the value of sexuality and that it can be used for both good and evil is the focus of this study program. With Anne Blanchard's Sexually Speaking -- Who Am I?, a youth group can discuss the topic of sexuality and how it relates to their individual development and growth. The guide provides an overview of the program for group leaders -- the setting, how to use the guide, course development, and leadership. The session plans are loosely structured, allowing for variation on the part of the different group leaders and depending upon the particular groups needs. Among the topics open for discussion are: human sexuality, physical changes, human reproduction, sex and sexuality, maturity, developing a philosophy of life, sex roles, sexual behavior, parent-child relationships, Christian approach to sexual ethics, dating, etc. Resource lists are appended.

Planned Parenthood of Minnesota. Resource Guide for Sexuality in Family and Congregational Life. St. Paul: Religious Affairs Committee, Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, n.d.

A list of resources useful in the areas of sexuality and family life education. Materials included in the bibliography represent a number of sources: government, school systems, family planning agencies, etc. Religious publications are included and resource people noted.

Reichert, Richard. Making Moral Decisions; Living Our Christian Faith. Winona, MN: St. Mary's Press, 1979.

Written for young people, this is meant to help readers with Christian development realize the value of being a moral individual. It provides scenarios to help children in their moral thinking.

Religion and family life education. Emphasis, Spring/Summer 1983.

This issue highlights outstanding examples of religious-based sexuality/family life education programs. Some are conducted in conjunction with community groups or agencies; others reflect exclusively church-sponsored programs. The issue presents ideas for joining the efforts of professional sexuality educators with the religious leaders in the community. Provides stimulating and provocative examples of programs and approaches with sample materials discussed and illustrated. Also includes overview of societal issues which have promoted the current climate for meeting needs of the communities served. Personal and professional testimonies about program concepts show those which have worked most successfully given the philosophical bases for the religious groups and health education at the local level.

Religious Affirmations of Sexuality in the Later Years: Presentations from a Consultation for Study and Reflection. New York: Office of Family Ministries and Human Sexuality, National Council of Churches, 1981.

Sexuality as a life-long experience is the primary focus of this compilation of papers, developed in light of our changing population -- an increasing number of older Americans. The role of religious institutions and organizations in responding to the needs of older citizens, including sexuality, is emphasized. Papers presented are by members of the clergy, physicians, and others.

Religious perspectives panel. Family Life Educator, 1982, 1(1), 32.

A guide for individuals in developing a panel of religious leaders when formulating a sexuality education program. (The information in this article is based on material in Family Life Education: Teacher Training Manual published by Network Publications, Santa Cruz, CA, 1981.)

Religious Publications on Sexuality. Hempstead, NY: Resource Coordinating Center, n.d.

A brief bibliography, without annotations, of resources concerned with human sexuality. Sources are noted.

Resource Guide for Christian Education in Sexuality. New York: Office of Family Ministries, National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA, n.d.

A compendium of resources prepared by a committee representing a variety of religious denominations: American Baptist Churches, USA, Christian Church (Disciples), Evangelical Covenant Church, General Conference of the Mennonite Church, Moravian Church (Northern Province), Moravian Church (Southern Province), Presbyterian Church in the U.S. and the Seventh Day

Baptist General Conference. It responds to the need for churches to recognize the integral role sexuality plays in individual's lives and to help them understand and enjoy it. Program ideas -- focuses of church programs -- are considered. The list is broken down into two sections to meet the needs of the two types of programs outlined -- homes and church groups. The materials are drawn from the popular and the religious presses.

Rice, Wayne. Junior High Ministry. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House, 1978.

Ministering to the needs of youth ages 12-15, a group often neglected by the church, is the topic of this volume written by the Director of Youth at Morning Star Lutheran Church, Lakeside, California. The requirements for a good junior high worker are outlined. Subsequent chapters address aspects of adolescent development -- physical, social, mental, emotional, and spiritual. The need to present answers to questions about sex from a Christian viewpoint is stated, as teens are, at the same time, receiving messages about sex from many other sources. Feelings about sexuality should be addressed in light of the developmental stage of the individual, and guilt should not be used as a means of dictating behaviors. It is stressed that faith can be integrated into one's life in a cohesive manner. The volume concludes with a survey of junior high workers and programming ideas.

Rose, Dorothy F. and Brittain, Dorothy J. Sexuality: Gift or Burden? Syracuse NY: Episcopal Diocese of Central New York, 1980.

A study course on human sexuality designed to help adults to become more aware of and to clarify their values, understanding and feelings regarding sexuality. The Christian roots of these attitudes are explored. The purpose of the seminars is to enhance one's self-understanding in a religious context. Bible study is considered an important part of each session. The various sessions cover: sexual beginnings, values and sexuality, sex roles, homosexuality, family structures, and responsible sexuality.

Salvation Army. Bridging the Gap Between Youth and Community Services: A Life Skills Education Program. New York: The Author, 1982.

A curriculum designed by the Salvation Army for young people, ages 12-18. The goal of the program is to help adolescents assume responsibility for their own lives. This program is divided into 12 units, including 3 broad content areas, that are interrelated in group sessions and in individual counseling. These are: practical approaches to self-respect; information about physical and emotional development and needs, including sexuality; and, information about the variety of community resources available and how to use them. This is a guide for leaders to developing and conducting the program.

Salvation Army. Women's Home League. Family Life Program. New York: The Author, 1976.

Developed as a unit in the Salvation Army's parenthood program, this course proposes to help League members, as well as others, to examine the role of the family and how children are nurtured. There are 4 subject areas within the program: how children grow and develop; discipline; the family; and, dealing with stress. This guidebook is for group leaders.

Scales, Peter and Kirby, Douglas. A review of exemplary sex education programs for teenagers offered by nonschool organizations. Family Relations, 1981, 30(2), 238-245.

A review of 27 exemplary programs in the United States, including Planned Parenthood programs, church-sponsored activities, state and local government department efforts, and others.

Sell, Charles M. Family Ministry. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House, 1981.

This is a book for evangelical clergy which addresses the needs of families being served by their churches. The first portion of the book addresses what the author believes are some of the major problems of the modern family: changing roles of wives and husbands, loss of communication within the family, family instability, loneliness. Subsequent chapters then consider how marital relationships, parenting skills, and life in the home can be affected by an active family ministry. Specific ways the church can act to address the needs of the family are outlined. Family-life education themes which are addressed include: marital sex, dating, engagement; concepts of Christian parenting; parent training; premarital counseling; etc.

Severson, John B. Family Life Education Within the Church; An Outline. St. Paul MN: Religious Affairs Committee, Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, 1977.

An outline of one type of program which can be and has been used in a church setting. It reflects over 10 years of experience and has been altered with each presentation to suit the need of the participants. It is a program for 7th to 9th graders with orientation material for parents. Items in the outline can be reproduced for use by other groups, and should be reviewed and revised, as necessary, to suit the needs of a particular congregation. The 5 sessions cover a variety of topics, including sexual development, sexuality, sex roles, sexual responsibility, etc.

Sex Education for Adolescents and Youth. Washington, DC: American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT), 1977.

An overview of sexuality education, this includes information of interest to those involved in planning programs for adolescents. The role of religious groups is acknowledged.

Sex Information and Education Council of the United States. Bibliography of religious publications on sexuality and sex education. SIECUS Report, 1982, 11(3), 11-13. (Reprints available directly from SIECUS)

A current listing of materials published by American religious groups. It includes curriculum materials, works on religion and sexuality, and a list of addresses for the various producers.

Sex is awful. Journal of Current Social Issues, April 1978, 15(1).

Published by the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, this issue contains articles, as well as personal statements and approaches, about issues in sexuality. The first section, "Sources of Authority," provides background information on decision-making and sexuality. Part 2, "The Family and Teenage Sexuality," discusses the significance of the family in early learning and discussion of sexuality. "Public Policy Issues" are considered in the third section, which includes abortion, homosexuality, and other relevant topics. The final section is on resources. A study guide for "Sex is Awful" is available and, although written for use with church study groups, would be useful for any group wanting to use this journal issue.

Shapiro, Constance Hoenk. The promising potential of religious institutions. In Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention -- School-Community Cooperation. Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas Publisher, 1981.

Chapter in a volume which emphasizes the importance of school and community involvement in efforts at adolescent pregnancy prevention. Various options for initiating discussions about human sexuality are outlined. Several programs are noted.

Simmons, Paul D. and Crawford, Kenneth. Growing Up With Sex. Nashville, TN: Broadman Press, 1973.

Part of a series of books "Sexuality in Christian Living" written for young people, this volume addresses the information needs of junior high school students. In discussing human sexuality, it provides guidance in developing Christian attitudes toward it and is meant for individual use. Presented is information necessary for teens to develop the ability to make responsible decisions about sexual behavior, taking into account those beliefs which form a significant part of their religious framework. Although certain values are emphasized, the book tends to avoid presenting information in a dogmatic manner. (See also: Edens, David, The Changing Me; Lester, Andrew D., Sex is More than a Word, Harty, Robert and Annelle, Made to Grow.)

Smedes, Lewis B. Sex for Christians. Grand Rapids, MI. William B. Eerdmans, 1976.

This is a book for Christians about sexuality. Acceptable modes of sexual behavior are held within the confines of marriage. Attitudes towards different sexual activities -- masturbation, "sexual variations" (alternative sex play, etc.) -- and sexual dysfunction are addressed in an open manner, using the precepts of Christian belief to understand many options.

Smith, Leon. Sex education in the churches. In Otto, Herbert A., ed., The New Sex Education; The Sex Educator's Resource Book. Chicago: Follett Publishing Co., 1978.

A discussion of sexuality education and the Protestant churches. This provides an overview of the development of the new sexuality education in the churches. Interested individuals can draw upon this information for a general frame-work and basic resources for the development of a sexuality education program in one's own church.

Smith, Peggy B. Sex education. In Smith, Peggy B. and Mumford, David M., eds. Adolescent Pregnancy. Perspectives for the Health Professional. Boston: G.K. Hall, 1980.

In a chapter reviewing the role of sexuality education in adolescent pregnancy prevention, attention is given to the role of the church. Types of church activity are briefly discussed.

Stackhouse, Bill. Family and church sexuality project. SIECUS Report, 1980, 8(5/6), 3.

A description of the "Families Working Together" sexuality education project sponsored by the Family Life Issues Group of the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries (UCBHM), the national mission board of the United Church of Christ.

Stackhouse, Bill and Wright-Saunders, Manford. The Search for Intimacy. (A Youth Elect Series Course for Older Youth.) New York: United Church Press, 1981.

This resource is for use by youth in church school classes or fellowship groups, at retreats, camps, or conferences; or in short-term study series. It is meant to help older youth explore their understanding and experience of their own sexuality. And, at the same time, it will help them understand the need for love and intimacy in light of biblical faith and lead them to clarify their decision-making regarding sexuality. Sessions are set up so each addresses a general question or deals with specific issues. Objectives for each session are clearly defined.

Stackhouse, Bill. Teenage Pregnancy: A Challenge to Do Right by Each Other, A Report and Study Action Guide. New York: United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, 1980.

This booklet, written for men and women, reports on a Teenage Pregnancy Project established to address issues in family life and human sexuality. The report describes what the project has done and also provides a resource to those who want to be involved in addressing the problems of teenage pregnancy and who wish to put their values into action within their community and congregation. Included are model curriculum outlines for church education programs, a list of criteria for improving family planning services, and other practical models for community programs.

Stafford, Tim. A Love Story: Questions and Answers on Sex. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House, 1977.

Responses to questions about sexuality and sexual behavior are provided and reflect traditional Christian values. This may be suitable for Christians who want to know what behaviors are appropriate and how these relate to Scripture.

Sullivan, Susan K. and Kawiak, Matthew A. Catholic family sexuality project. Family Life Educator, 1982, 1(2), 24-25.

A description of a sexuality education project, "Parents Talk Love," which was designed for parishes and church families. A brief overview of the program and its goals is provided. (See also entry under Parents Talk Love.)

Teenage sexuality. Keeping Posted, March 1982, 27(5). (New York: UAHC, 838 Fifth Avenue, 10021)

A special issue devoted to the topic of teenage sexuality and the dilemmas faced by teens. Presented is a Jewish view of human sexuality, by Rabbi Harold Schulweis. Dr. Ruth Westheim provides a sex counselor's perspective. The consequences of teenage sexuality are discussed.

United Church of Christ. Human Sexuality: A Preliminary Study. New York: Pilgrim Press, 1977.

Representing Congregational thought on the subject, this study represents research conducted under the auspices of the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries. Sexuality is considered, by the Church, to be a significant part of the total human experience. The volume attempts to define sexuality and proceeds from this point to explore the many aspects of human sexuality and sexual behavior -- biblical foundations, psychosexual development, sexuality and public policy, sexuality education, religion and human sexuality, etc. -- within the context of Congregational belief, as well as within the larger social context.

U.S. Catholic Conference. Education in Human Sexuality for Christians. Washington, DC: The Author, 1981.

Written in response to the need and desirability of education in human sexuality from a Catholic perspective, this is not a textbook for students, but a guide for persons responsible for planning and giving sexuality education. The primary audience is, therefore, professional educators, although others may also find information of use in this volume. It covers the Christian foundations for education in human sexuality, the Christian home and education for human sexuality, the church environment and education for human sexuality, sexuality education in the context of formal instruction and the school, and planning aids.

Weinstock, Henry R. Issues in sex education. Education Forum, 1970, 34(2), 189-196.

In an overview of the roles of different institutions in sexuality education, the author reviews the role of religious groups. Although certain faiths have outlined policies regarding sexuality education, the influence of religion on behavior and attitudes is perceived as questionable as many children are not actively enrolled in religious schools nor attend services. The school, therefore, is seen as the prime motivator, helping religious institutions (and other groups) to realize their part in communicating about sexuality.

Weiser, Charles B. Religion and human sexuality: recent developments in Catholic thought. SIECUS Report, 1980, 8(5/6), 1-2.

An overview of current Catholic perspectives on human sexuality.

Westerhoff, John H., III. Adolescence and religion: youth share their quest with adults. Common Focus, 1981, 3(5), 1+.

The role of religion in the adolescents' development is discussed. The nurturing of faith in adolescents is seen as a separate issue.

Wilt, Joy. You're Either One or the Other. Waco, TX: Word, Inc., 1980.

This children's book about sexuality is part of a series entitled, "Ready-Set-Grow!" It can be used separately or as part of a program that utilizes all the books in the series. Children can read this book on their own or can share it with adults -- in school, at church, or at home. Concepts are presented in a simple manner, allowing for children's ability to integrate the concept into their own way of thinking. It teaches that everyone has physical differences and that emotional and personality traits vary as well. Sex roles imposed by society are discussed and children are encouraged to express themselves individually, not according to a set of proscribed behaviors.